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TO AMEMBASSY PARAMARIBO IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MPOL, PFOR, NS

SUBJECT: PRESS ALLEGATIONS ON SURINAM ELIGIBILITY FOR FMS

REF: PARAMARIBO 633

1. WE ARE CONCERNED BY RECENT PRESS REPORTS (REFTEL) MISCONSTRUING THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING FMS ELIGIBILITY FOR SURINAM. WE BELIEVE THAT PRESS ALLEGATIONS HAVE, IN FACT, GONE FAR ENOUGH TO WARRANT GOS COMMENT.

2. YOU MAY WANT TO SUGGEST TO APPROPRIATE GOS OFFICIALS THAT THEY ADDRESS THEMSELVES PUBLICLY TO REASONS FOR MAKING SURINAM ELIGIBLE FOR FMS, I.E., THAT ELIGIBILITY WAS PRIMARILY ESTABLISHED TO PERMIT THE TRANSFER OF STANDARD MILITARY EQUIPMENT FROM THE DUTCH TO THE GOS. WHILE THIS DOES NOT OF COURSE PRECLUDE FUTURE MODEST FMS SALES, IT CAN CERTAINLY BE EMPHASIZED THAT THE MATTER WAS ROUTINE

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AND IS NOT REPEAT NOT PART OF A PLOT TO UNDERMINE GOVERN-

MENT OF NEIGHBORING GUYANA.

3. RESPONSE TO PARAMARIBO 612 FOLLOWS SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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